Executive Engineers, Assistant Engineers and Supervisors.

582. [25] **Shri O. C. Ninan :** Will the Minister for Works and Transport be pleased to state :

(*a*) what is the total number of Executive Engineers ;

(*b*) how many of them are temporary and acting ;

(*c*) what is the total number of Assistant Engineers and Supervisors and how many of them are permanent and how many of them are temporary or acting ;

(*d*) why is it that a large number are still kept as temporary or acting ; and

(*e*) will the Government consider the question of confirming as many of them as possible ?

Answer.

(*a*) 17.

(*b*) 9.

(*c*) Assistant Engineers	64
Temporary and Ag. Asst. Engineers	59
Supervisors	201
Temporary and Ag. Supervisors	190

This is due to the fact that the number of permanent places in these grades is very limited while the number of temporary places sanctioned in these grades for holding charge of construction works both in the P.W.D. and other Departments to which the Officers are lent from the P.W.D. is large. When the nomination proposals to give effect to the integration of service are finalised a greater number of these Officers will get confirmation.

(*e*) Yes.

Land for opening approach road.

583 [30] **Shri R. Ponnappa Nadar :** Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether land for opening an approach road from 1/8 Midalam road to Palavilai Village in Vilavancode Taluk had been taken possession of by the Department ;

(*b*) if so, whether boundary stones of poramboke limits planted;

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(*c*) whether the trees standing in the poramboke limits are auctioned ;

(*d*) if not, why not ; and

(*e*) will the Department think of demarcating the poramboke limits and to lease out the poramboke trees in future ?

Answer.

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) There are no trees to be leased out in auction.

(*d*) In the light of answers to (*b*) & (*c*), (*d*) & (*e*) do not arise.

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Poor homes.

584. [17] **Shri O. C. Ninan :** Will the Minister for Medicine and Public Health be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many poor homes are kept by the Government ;

(*b*) what is the amount spent by the Government for each of the poor homes ;,

(*c*) what is the number of inmates kept in each ;

(*d*) what is the amount spent for management including the pay of officers ;

(*e*) what is the actual amount spent for the inmates of each of the poor homes ;

Answer.

(*a*) Five Poor Homes are kept by Government —3 in Trichur District and 2 at Trivandrum.

(*b*) A sum of Rs. 32,000 per year is sanctioned by Government as grant to the Sri Chitra Home. The expenditure for the Ulloor Dharmalayam is met from the interest on the Endorsement. No grant is paid by the Government.

(*c*) Sri Chitra Home maintains an average of 250 persons. The present strength is 200. The number maintained ordinarily in the Dharmalayam is 30. The present strength is 30.

(*d*) The expenditure towards pay and allowance in the Sri Chitra Home is approximately Rs. 1,250 per mensem and that of Ulloor Dharmalayam is Rs. 302 p.m.

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